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Python Math Expressions

Math *expressions* in Python:

Operation	Syntax	Example
Add	+	5 + 3
Subtract	-	10 - 2
Multiply	*	5 * 3
Divide	/	9 / 4
Modulus	%	9 % 4 (answer is 1)
Exponent	**	5 ** 2 (answer is 25)

Expressions - Operator Precedence

Each operator has its own priority similar to their priority in regular math expressions:

- 1) Any expression in parentheses is evaluated first starting with the inner most nesting of parentheses.
- 2) Exponents
- 3) Multiplication and division (*, /, %)
- 4) Addition and subtraction (+,-)

Python Expressions Question

Question: What is the value of this expression:

A) 69 **B)** 65 **C)** 36 **D)** 16 **E)** 0

Try it: Python Variables and Expressions

Question 1: Write a program that prints the result of 35 + 5 * 10.

Question 2: Write a program that uses at least 3 operators to end up with the value 99.

Question 3: Write a program that has a variable called name with the value of your name and a variable called age storing your age. Print out your name and age using these variables.

Strings

Strings are sequences of characters that are surrounded by either single or double quotes.

- Use \ to escape ' E.g. There \'s
- Can use triple double quotes """ for a string that spans multiple lines.

```
Example:
```

```
name = "Joe Jones"
```

```
storeName = 'Joe\'s Store'
print("""String that is really long
with multiple lines
   and spaces is perfectly fine""")
```

Python String Indexing

Individual characters of a string can be accessed using square brackets ([]) with the first character at index 0.

Example:

str = "Hello"
print(str[1]) # e
print("ABCD"[0]) # A
print(str[-1]) # o
Negative values start at end and go backward

Rules for Strings in Python

Must be surrounded by single or double quotes.

Can contain most characters except enter, backspace, tab, and backslash.

- These special characters must be escaped by using an initial "\".
- e.g. $n new line, \ ' single quote, \ backslash, \ '' double quote$
- A string in raw mode (r before quote) will ignore backslash escape. May be useful
 if data contains escapes. Example: st = r"slash\there\"

Double quoted strings can contain single quoted strings and vice versa.

Any number of characters is allowed.

The minimum number of characters is zero "", which is called the *empty string*.

String *literals* (values) have the quotation marks removed when displayed.

Python Strings Question

Question: How many of the following are valid Python strings?

- 1) '' ''
- 2) ' '
- **3)** "a"
- 4) " "
- 5) """

A) 1

6) "Joe\' Smith\""

B) 2 **C)** 3



Python String Functions

st = "Hello" st2 = "Goodbye"

Operation	Syntax	Example	Output
Length	len()	len(st)	5
Upper case	upper()	st.upper()	HELLO
Lower case	lower()	st.lower()	hello
Convert to a string	str()	str(9)	"9"
Concatenation	+	st1 + st2	HelloGoodbye
Substring	[]	st[0:3] st[1:]	Hel ello
String to int	int()	int("99")	99

String Operators: Concatenation

The *concatenation operator* is used to combine two strings into a single string. The notation is a plus sign '+'.

Example:

```
st1 = "Hello"
st2 = "World!"
st3 = st1 + st2 # HelloWorld!
print(st1+st1)
num = 5
print(st1+str(num))  # Hello5
# Must convert number to string before
#
 concatenation
```

String Concatenation Question

Question: What is the output of this code?

- st1 = "Hello"
- st2 = "World!"
- num = 5

print(st1 + str(num) + " " + st2)

A) Error

B) Hello5World!

C) Hello5 World!

D Hello 5 World!

Substring

The *substring* function will return a range of characters from a string.

Syntax:

st[start:end] # start is included, end is not # first character is index 0
Examples:

```
st = "Fantastic"
print(st[1])  # a
print(st[0:6])  # Fantas
print(st[4:])  # astic
print(st[:5])  # Fanta
print(st[-6:-2])  # tast
```

Substring Question

Question: What is the output of this code?

```
st = "ABCDEFG"
print(st[1] + st[2:4] + st[3:] + st[:4])
```

A) ABCDCDEFGABCD

B) ABCDEFGABC

C) ACDDEFGABCD

D) BCDDEFGABCD

E) BCDECDEFGABC

Split

The *split* function will divide a string based on a separator.

Examples:

```
st = "Awesome coding! Very good!"
print(st.split())
# ['Awesome', 'coding!', 'Very', 'good!']
```

```
print(st.split("!"))
```

```
# ['data', 'csv', '100', '50', '', '25',
# '"use split"', '99']
```

Try it: Python String Variables and Functions

Question 1: Write a Python program that prints out your name and age stored in variables like this:

Name: Joe Age: 25

Question 2: Write a Python program that prints out the first name and last name of Steve Smith like below. You must use substring.

• Bonus challenge: Use find() function so that it would work with any name. First Name: Steve

Last Name: Smith

Print Formatting

The print method can accept parameters for formatting.

print("Hi", "Amy", ", your age is", 21)
print("Hi {}, your age is {}".format("Amy", 21))

This is one of the most obvious changes between Python 2: print "Hello"

and Python 3:
print("Hello")

Python Date and Time

Python supports date and time data types and functions.

First, import the datetime module:

from datetime import datetime

Functions:

```
now = datetime.now()
print(now)
current_year = now.year
current_month = now.month
current_day = now.day
print("{}-{}-{} {} {} {}:{}:{}".format(now.year, now.month,
now.day, now.hour, now.minute, now.second))
```

Python Clock

Python time () function returns the current time in seconds:

```
import time
```

startTime = time.time()

```
print("Start time:", startTime)
```

```
print("How long will this take?")
```

```
endTime = time.time()
```

```
print("End time:", endTime)
```

```
print("Time elapsed:", endTime-startTime)
```



To read from the keyboard (standard input), use the method input:

• Note in Python 2 the method is called raw_input().

Try it: Python Input, Output, and Dates

Question 1: Write a program that reads a name and prints out the name, the length of the name, the first five characters of the name.

Question 2: Print out the current date in YYYY/MM/DD format.

Comparisons

A *comparison operator* compares two values. Examples:

• 5 < 10

• <

• <=

• ==

• !=

• N > 5 # N is a variable. Answer depends on what is N.

Comparison operators in Python:

- > Greater than
- >= Greater than or equal
 - Less than
 - Less than or equal
 - Equal (Note: Not "=" which is used for assignment!)
 - Not equal

The result of a comparison is a *Boolean value* which is either **True** or **False**.

Conditions with and, or, not

A condition is an expression that is either True or False and may contain one or more comparisons. Conditions may be combined using: and, or, not.

• order of evaluation: not, and, or May change order with parentheses.

Operation	Syntax	Examples	Output
AND (True if both are True)	and	True and True False and True False and False	True False False
OR (True if either or both are True)	or	True or True False or True False or False	True True False
NOT (Reverses: e.g. True becomes False)	not	not True not False	False True

Condition Examples

n = 5v = 8print(n > 5)print(n == v) print(n != v) print (n == v and n+4>v) print (n == v or n+4>v) print (n+1 == v-2 or not v>4)

False
False
True
False
True
True
True
True

Python Condition Question

Question: How many of the following conditions are **TRUE**?

1) True and False

A) 0

- 2) not True or not False
- **3)** 3 > 5 or 5 > 3 and 4 != 4
- 4) (1 < 2 or 3 > 5) and (2 == 2 and 4 != 5)
- 5) not (True or False) or True and (not False)



Decisions allow the program to perform different actions based on conditions. Python decision syntax:



- The statement after the if condition is only performed if the condition is True.
- If there is an else, the statement after the else is done if condition is False.
- Indentation is important! Remember the colon!

Decisions if/elif Syntax

If there are more than two choices, use the if/elif/else syntax:

if condition:
 statement
elif condition:
 statement
elif condition:
 statement
else:

statement

if n == 1: print("one") **elif** n == 2: print("two") **elif** n == 3: print("three") else: print("Too big!") print("Done!")

Decisions: Block Syntax

Statements executed after a decision in an $\pm \pm$ statement are indented for readability. This indentation is also how Python knows which statements are part of the block of statements to be executed.

• If you have more than one statement, make sure to indent them. Be consistent with either using tabs or spaces. Do not mix them!

if age > 19 and name > "N":
 print("Not a teenager")
 print("Name larger than N")
else:

print("This is statement #1")
print(" and here is statement #2!")

Question: Decisions

Question: What is the output of the following code?

```
n = 3
if n < 1:
  print("one")
elif n > 2:
  print("two")
elif n == 3:
  print("three")
```

A) nothing B) one

D three

Question: Decisions (2)

Question: What is the output of the following code?

```
n = 3
if n < 1:
    print("one")
elif n > 2
    print("two")
else:
    print("three")
```

A) nothing
B) one
C) two
D) three
E) error

Question: Decisions (3)

Question: What is the output of the following code?

```
n = 1
if n < 1:
  print("one")
elif n > 2:
  print("two")
else:
  print("three")
print ("four")
```

A) nothing B) one four C) three **D** three four E) error

Question: Decisions (4)

Question: What is the output of the following code?

n = 0
if n < 1:
<pre>print("one")</pre>
<pre>print("five")</pre>
elif n == 0:
print("zero")
else:
<pre>print("three")</pre>
<pre>print("four")</pre>

A) nothing	D) one
B) one	five
four	zero
C) one	four
five	
four	E) error

Try it: Decisions

Question 1: Write a Python program that asks the user for a number then prints out if it is even or odd.

Question 2: Write a Python program that asks the user for a number between 1 and 5 and prints out the word for that number (e.g. 1 is one). If the number is not in that range, print out error.

DATA 301 Extra Reference slides about Python

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Loops and Iteration

A *loop* repeats a set of statements multiple times until some condition is satisfied.

• Each time a loop is executed is called an *iteration*.

A for loop repeats statements a number of times.

A while loop repeats statements while a condition is True.



The most basic looping structure is the *while* loop.

A while loop continually executes a set of statements **while** a condition is true.

Syntax: while condition: statements

Example: n = 1
while n <= 5: Question: What does this print?
print(n)
n = n + 1 # Shorthand: n += 1</pre>

Question: while Loop

Question: What is the output of the following code?

A) numbers 3 to -1
B) numbers 3 to 0
C) numbers 4 to 0
D) numbers 4 to -1
E) numbers 4 to infinity

Question: while Loop (2)

Question: What is the output of the following code?

```
n = 1
while n <= 5:
    print(n)
n = n + 1</pre>
```

A) nothing B) numbers 1 to 5 C) numbers 1 to 6 D) lots of 1s



A for loop repeats statements a given number of times.

```
Python for loop syntax:
    Up to but not including
ending number

for i in range(1,6):
    print(i)
    Starting number
```

Using range

The basic form of range is:

range(start,end)

- start is inclusive, end is not inclusive
- default increment is 1

May also specify an increment:

range(start, end, increment)

or just the end: range (end)

For Loop and While Loop

The for loop is like a short-hand for the while loop:

while i < 10: print(i) i += 1 </pre>

for i in range(0, 10, 1):
 print(i)

Common Problems – Infinite Loops

Infinite loops are caused by an incorrect loop condition or not updating values within the loop so that the loop condition will eventually be false.

Example:

```
n = 1
while n <= 5:
    print(n)
    # Forgot to increase n -> inf<u>inite loop</u>
```

Common Problems – Off-by-one Error

The most common error is to be "*off-by-one*". This occurs when you stop the loop one iteration too early or too late.

Example:

• This loop was supposed to print 0 to 10, but it does not.

```
for i in range(0,10):
    print(i)
```

Question: How can we fix this code to print 0 to 10?

Question: for Loop

Question: How many numbers are printed with this loop?

for i in range(1,10): print(i)



Question: for Loop

Question: How many numbers are printed with this loop?

```
for i in range(11,0):
    print(i)
```



Try it: for Loops

Question 1: Write a program that prints the numbers from 1 to 10 then 10 to 1.

Question 2: Write a program that prints the numbers from 1 to 100 that are divisible by 3 and 5.

Question 3: Write a program that asks the user for 5 numbers and prints the maximum, sum, and average of the numbers.

X Lists Overview

A *list* is a collection of data items that are referenced by index.

• Lists in Python are similar to arrays in other programming languages

A list allows multiple data items to be referenced by one name and retrieved by index.



Retrieving Items from a List

Items are retrieved by index (starting from 0) using square brackets:

Create an empty list: emptyList = []

List Operations

data = [1, 2, 3, 5] lst = []

Operation	Syntax	Examples	Output
Add item	list.append(val)	data.append(1)	[1, 2, 3, 5, 1]
Insert item	<pre>list.insert(idx,val)</pre>	<pre>data.insert(3,4)</pre>	[1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
Remove item	list.remove(val)	data.remove(5)	[1, 2, 3]
Update item	list[idx]=val	lst[0]=10	[10]
Length of list	len(<i>list</i>)	len(data)	4
Slice of list	list[x:y]	data[0:3]	[1, 2, 3]
Find index	<i>list</i> .index(<i>val</i>)	data.index(5)	3
Sort list	list.sort()	data.sort()	[1, 2, 3, 5]

List Details

If you provide an index outside of the valid range, Python will return an index error.

- To sort in reverse order, do this:
- data.sort(reverse=True)

For loops are used to iterate though items in a list: for v in data: print(v)

Advanced: Python Lists Comprehensions

List comprehensions build a list using values that satisfy a criteria.

evenNums100 = [n for n in range(101) if n%2==0]

```
Equivalent to:
evenNums100 = []
for n in range(101):
   if n%2==0:
      evenNums100.append(n)
```

Advanced: Python Lists Slicing

List slicing allows for using range notation to retrieve only certain elements in the list by index. Syntax:

```
list[start:end:stride]
```

Example:

```
data = list(range(1,11))
print(data)  # [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10]
print(data[1:8:2])  # [2, 4, 6, 8]
print(data[1::3])  # [2, 5, 8]
```

Question: List

Question: At what index is item with value 3?

```
data = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
data.remove(3)
data.insert(1, 3)
data.append(2)
data.sort()
data = data[1:4]
```

A) 0 B) 1 C) 2 D) 3 E) not there

Try it: Lists

Question 1: Write a program that puts the numbers from 1 to 10 in a list then prints them by traversing the list.

Question 2: Write a program that will multiply all elements in a list by 2.

Question 3: Write a program that reads in a sentence from the user and splits the sentence into words using split(). Print only the words that are more than 3 characters long. At the end print the total number of words.

Python Dictionary

A *dictionary* is a collection of key-value pairs that are manipulated using the key.

```
dict = {1:'one', 2:'two', 3:'three'}
print(dict[1])
                     # one
print(dict['one'])  # error - key not found
if 2 in dict:
               # Use in to test for key
  print(dict[2])
                # two
dict[4] = 'four'
                # Add 4:'four'
del dict[1]
                     # Remove key 1
dict.keys()
                     # Returns keys
dict.values()
                     # Returns values
```

Question: Dictionary

Question: What is the value printed?

```
data = {'one':1, 'two':2, 'three':3}
data['four'] = 4
sum = 0
for k in data.keys():
    if len(k) > 3:
        sum = sum + data[k]
print(sum)
```

A) 7 **B**) 0 **C**) 10 **D**) 6 **E**) error

Try it: Dictionary

Question: Write a program that will use a dictionary to record the frequency of each letter in a sentence. Read a sentence from the user then print out the number of each letter.

Code to create the dictionary of letters:

```
import string
counts = {}
for letter in string.ascii_uppercase:
    counts[letter] = 0
print(counts)
```

Functions and Procedures

A *procedure* (or *method*) is a sequence of program statements that have a specific task that they perform.

• The statements in the procedure are mostly independent of other statements in the program.

A *function* is a procedure that returns a value after it is executed.

We use functions so that we do not have to type the same code over and over. We can also use functions that are built-in to the language or written by others.

Defining and Calling Functions and Procedures

Creating a function involves writing the statements and providing a *function declaration* with:

- a name (follows the same rules as identifiers)
- list of the inputs (called parameters)
- the output (return value) if any

Calling (or executing) a function involves:

- providing the name of the function
- providing the values for all arguments (inputs) if any
- providing space (variable name) to store the output (if any)

Defining and Calling a Function

Consider a function that returns a number doubled:





Python Built-in Math Functions

```
# Math
import math
print(math.sqrt(25))
```

```
# Import only a function
from math import sqrt
print(sqrt(25))
```

Print all math functions
print(dir(math))

Other Python Built-in Functions

max,min,abs:

print(max(3, 5, 2)) # 5 print(min(3, 5, 2)) # 2 print(abs(-4)) # 4

Python Random Numbers

Use random numbers to make the program have different behavior when it runs.

```
from random import randint
coin = randint(0, 1)
die = randint(1, 6)
                            # 1 to 6
print(coin)
print(die)
```

0 or 1

Advanced: Python Functions

Python supports functional programming allowing functions to be passed like variables to other functions.

• Lambda functions are functions that do not have a name.

Example:

def doFunc(func, val):
 return func(val)

print(doFunc(doubleNum, 10)) # 20 print(doFunc(lambda x: x * 3, 5)) # 15

Question: Functions

Question: What is the value printed?

```
def triple(num):
return num * 3
```

```
n = 5
print(triple(n)+triple(2))
```

A) 0 B) 6 C) 15 D) 21 E) error

Practice Questions: Functions

1) Write a function that returns the largest of two numbers.

2) Write a function that prints the numbers from 1 to N where N is its input parameter.

Call your functions several times to test that they work.

Conclusion

Python is a general, high-level programming language designed for code readability and simplicity.

Programming concepts covered:

- variables, assignment, expressions, strings, string functions
- making decisions with conditions and if/elif/else
- repeating statements (loops) using for and while loops
- reading input with input() and printing with print()
- data structures including lists and dictionaries
- creating and calling functions, using built-in functions (math, random)

Python is a powerful tool for data analysis and automation.

Objectives

- Explain what is Python and note the difference between Python 2 and 3
- Define: algorithm, program, language, programming
- Follow Python basic syntax rules including indentation
- Define and use variables and assignment
- Apply Python variable naming rules
- Perform math expressions and understand operator precedence
- Use strings, character indexing, string functions
- String functions: split, substr, concatenation
- Use Python datetime and clock functions
- Read input from standard input (keyboard)

Objectives (2)

- Create comparisons and use them for decisions with ${\tt if}$
- Combine conditions with and, or, not
- Use if/elif/else syntax
- Looping with for and while
- Create and use lists and list functions
- Advanced: list comprehensions, list slicing
- Create and use dictionaries
- Create and use Python functions
- Use built-in functions in math library
- Create random numbers
- Advanced: passing functions, lambda functions